

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Proceedings of the Senate
and House

MEASURES INTRODUCED

Hon. John E. Mason Elected Judge of the
Tenth Circuit and Mr. J. O. Shephard
Judge of the Corporation Court

(Special to the Daily Press.)
RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 4.—Notwith-
standing the fact that the legislative
session is now nearing its close, bills
continue to be introduced into the
houses every day. Most of them local
private, but some general and impor-
tant in their scope. Many are now in both
Senate and House will be considered
with the consideration of the various
varied measures designed to effect re-
forms in the penal system, being the State's ex-
penditures within the last fiscal year
because its income so as to meet its li-
abilities. But these revenue raise and
other financial measures are not
the only important ones pressing for
consideration. The question of erecting
prisons and the penitentiary which
will cost \$200,000, and the projected
one at the Virginia Sugar Refining
company and of housing convicts there,
the proposed building of a cannery
at the invention, the new inspection
bill, the Poor bug, Richmond and
Norfolk Railway, a bill to re-
peal of the act of 1882 and members
of the General Assembly are also
of some attention.

The Joint resolution offered by Mr.
Embrey, for the purpose of

of a judge for the tenth judicial circuit and for the corporation court of Buena Vista, was made a special order for 12:50 o'clock. P. M. Hon. John E. Mason, a member of the State Senate, was the only person nominated in the House. Mr. Mason was nominated by Mr. Berry, of King George county. Mr. Mason received all the 99 votes cast. Mr. Winborne, of Rockbridge, nominated Mr. J. M. O. Shepherd, for judge of the corporation court of Buena Vista. He being the only nominee in both Houses, was elected unanimously, receiving all the votes. Messrs. Mason and Shepherd were sworn in.

The Barksdale bill (similar to the one introduced in the House by Mr. Rogers) providing for senatorial primaries was today repeated adversely by the conference on privileges and elections of the Senate. The vote was unanimously against it. It was the primary plan for this session.

The House was engaged yesterday in discussing the re-employment of the body refused to

lance of Keely, and the bill passed by a vote of 166 p. m.

Upon the passage of the bill, the following resolutions were passed on the life and Service of Colonel John Bell Biggers, the veteran of the war.

The bill, the House took the usual course in its consideration.

The House was engaged today discussing the bill to erect an extensive addition to the presidency to accommodate the president and his family.

The bill provides for the erection of a \$150,000. Pending discussion, the Senate adjourned.

And, as the House bills introduced were by Mr. Matthews, of Accomac, and by Mr. Smith, of the machine, and by Mr. Smith, of the machine.

By Mr. Hinks—A bill providing that in the event a man given by any person, firm or corporation, or by any other person, shall be prima facie evidence that the person or persons shall be prima facie

The Senate passed the bill requiring railroads to fence their tracks with an amendment. The bill goes to

The Senate also passed the bill chartering the Mineral Belt Railway and Traction Company. The proposed line is to run from Mineral City on the line of the Chesapeake & Ohio railway to Aquia creek.

On next Wednesday at 10 A. M., the Senate committee to whom was referred the Wharton bill passed by the House, will make a combination of insurance

Considerable excitement was caused today by a fire on the second floor of the Richmond Times building. It was a very serious and efficient work, the fire was extinguished without great damage, most of it being caused by water.

RICHMOND, Feb. 4.—The House voted to abolish the office of register of

The local office, placing its address at the secretary of the commonwealth and to reduce the salary of the local officer from \$2,000 to \$1,800.

DAVIS AND BRYAN.

Interesting Correspondence as to the New England Strike.
(By Telegraph.)

WATERVILLE, ME., Feb. 4.—An interesting correspondence has just taken place between William Jennings Bryan and the Hon. Wm. H. Murray, U. S. senator from Maine. Mr. Bryan writes Mr. Murray as follows:

(Signed) "C. W. DAVIS,
"Watervik, Me."

Mr. Bryan responded as follows:
"I have noticed the reduction of wages in New England, and while I have not sufficient knowledge of all the facts to enable me to pass judgment, it seems to me that the reduction is hardly in keeping with the promises made by the advocates of the Dingley bill."
"Very truly,

HARVARD BASE BALL TEAM.
(By Telegraph.)
CAMBRIDGE, MASS., Feb. 4.—The Southern tour of the Harvard base ball team has been arranged. Beginning with its game with the University of North Carolina, the team will have a game with some college nine every day that it is away from home.

The list of games include the following: April 16, University of North Carolina, at Greensboro, N. C.; April 16, Washington & Lee University, at Lynchburg, Va.; April 19, University of Virginia, at Charlottesville, Va.